## **AMENDMENT**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application:

## **Claim Listing**

- 1. (presently amended) A compound comprising a steroid hormone selected from the group consisting of glucocorticoids glucocorticoid hormones, mineralcorticoids mineralcorticoid hormones, androgens and estrogens, said steroid hormone being stably linked via a spacer of 5-15 atoms to a DNA-incorporating molecule psoralen, wherein the steroid hormone is linked via a first urethane bond to the spacer and the spacer is linked via a second urethane bond to the DNA-incorporating molecule psoralen.
  - 2-5. (canceled)
  - 6. (original) The compound of claim 1, wherein the spacer contains 5-15 atoms.
  - 7. (original) The compound of claim 1, wherein the spacer contains 9-11 atoms.
  - 8. (canceled)
  - 9. (canceled)
- 10. (presently amended) The compound of claim [[1]] <u>32</u>, wherein the <u>first</u> urethane bond is positioned <u>either</u> at <u>any one of carbon atoms</u> 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 11α, 12, 15, 16, 17 or 21 of the glucocorticoid <u>hormone</u>.
- 11. (presently amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein the <u>first</u> urethane bond is positioned either at carbon atom 6 or 21 of the glucocorticoid <u>hormone</u>.
  - 12-16. (canceled)
- 17. (presently amended) A method for the preparation of the compound according to claim 1 comprising the steps of ligating a spacer of 5-15 atoms to the steroid hormone via an urethane bond and ligating the DNA incorporating molecule psoralen via an urethane bond to the spacer.
  - 18-29. (canceled)
  - 30. (original) The compound of claim 1, wherein the spacer contains 10 atoms.
  - 31. (canceled)
- 32. (presently amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein the steroid hormone is a glucocorticoid hormone.

33. (presently amended) The compound of claim [[2]] <u>32</u>, wherein the glucocorticoid hormone is selected from dexamethasone and cortisol.